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Coming Events

November 3

All Saint's Day Communion and Memorial Dedication Service

- November 10
 Budget Brunch, following worship
- November 17

Thankoffering service led by Women of the ELCA; Nursing Home worship service, 3pm

November 24

Community Thanksgiving service at First Baptist Church in Goliad, 6pm

November 27

Communion Thanksgiving service at St. Peter's, 7pm

December 4

Advent meal, Zion in Arneckeville, 6:30pm Advent service, Zion in Arneckeville, 7:30pm



Community Thanksgiving service to be held Nov. 24

A Community Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Goliad Ministerial Alliance, will be celebrated on Sunday, November 24, at 6pm. This year's service will be at the First Baptist Church in Goliad. Come join together with our Goliad neighbors as we give thanks to God for his many blessings. An offering will be received to support the ministry of the alliance, which provides assistance to those in need.

Invitation to join choir for Community Thanksgiving

An ecumenical choir is being formed once again for the Community Thanksgiving Service. Rehearsals will be at First Baptist Church of Goliad on Sundays, November 10 and 17, at 7pm and on Sunday, November 24, at 5pm (right before the service). All of our members are invited to join their voices in singing in this choir - it's good fellowship, and a great way to give thanks to God with our neighbors.

Goliad Nursing Home worship set for Nov. 17

St. Peter's will lead worship at the Goliad Nursing home on Sunday, November 17. We will gather there at 3pm and lead the residents in singing and devotion, so please come and join us as we bring the word and love of God to them. We are usually done by 3:30.

St. Peter's Thanksgiving Eve communion service to be held Nov. 27

Thanksgiving Eve Worship with communion will be held on November 27, at 7pm. St. Peter's will host our joint worship service with St. Luke's of Schroeder, Zion of Arneckeville and Martin Luther of Coletoville. Join us as we give thanks to God for his many blessings this year!

St. Peter's youth collect toys for Silver Santa



Our youth community service project for November is once again collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Goliad Sheriff's

Dept. Silver Santa program that provides toys and clothing to make a brighter Christmas for children in need. Put your donations of toys in the box in the narthex. Sheriff and Mrs. Brumby will be here to collect the donated items during the worship service on December 1, so we want as many children as possible here that day to present the toys to them!

Meeting to vote on 2020 budget to be held on December 8

The congregation council has called a congregational meeting to begin immediately following the 9am worship service on Sunday, December 8, 2019. Copies of the proposed 2020 budget, as approved by the congregation council, will be distributed at the November 10 Budget Brunch.

Church Council Highlights of the October 20 meeting

- the proposed budget from stewardship/finance was reviewed and amended
- the details of the land acquisition were discussed
- the nominating committee updated the council on progress for December 8 election
- a constitutional amendments committee has been appointed to update the constitution to be in accordance with the ELCA model constitution (required changes since 2015), and make additions and amendments to the bylaws. They are David Bowman, Brent Dornburg and Jackie Gardiner.

All other business appears in articles in this newsletter!

Committee recruits nominees for elected church positions

Our nominating committee is hard at work finding people who are willing to run for positions on council and elsewhere in 2020. Please prayerfully consider serving in these ways, and contact them if you are willing. The committee is Eva Nell Griffith, Jamie Friedrichs, Sherry Sanders and Terrell Wiggins. The positions up for election:

- 3 church council members to meet monthly, serve as liaison to one other committee, be regular in worship attendance and participate in congregational activities
- Treasurer keeps track of all church accounts, and coordinates payroll and bill payments
- Perpetual care treasurer keeps records of purchases of cemetery plots and crematorium niches
- Financial Secretary keeps records of member giving, including sending statements
- Memorial treasurer keeps records of memorial donations to the church, is present at funerals to collect donations
- Memorial committee member helps to determine disbursement of memorials. Meets as needed usually 2-3 times a year
- Cemetery committee member meets 2-3 times a year, assists with burial plot location
- Mission Endowment Committee member meets yearly to determine distribution of Mission Endowment funds

Budget Brunch to preview 2020 budget on November 10

The annual presentation of the proposed budget will be held on Sunday, November 10. We will gather in the fellowship hall right after worship for a potluck brunch as the stewardship/finance committee presents their recommendations for the 2020 budget. The budget will be voted on at the congregational meeting on December 8, so this is the time to ask questions and make recommendations for changes.

Special November 3 celebration of All Saints' Sunday at St. Peter's

On November 3, All Saints' Sunday, we celebrate that God has made us his saints. This year again, the worship service will end in the cemetery where we take time to remember all the saints who have gone before us in victory.

Adickes family donates property to St. Peter's

St. Peter's is a growing congregation. What a blessing! It is just this blessing that has brought about the realization of the need for a long range plan to insure the church's ability to continue serving God's people for many years to come. Discussions began in late spring about the possibility of purchasing enough property to the east of the sanctuary and parish hall (approximately 1.29 acres) to allow for facility expansion whenever that need may arise in the future.

This idea was shared with the Adickes family for consideration. After only a few communications an agreement was reached wherein St. Peter's could acquire the property as a very generous donation by the Adickes family, and St. Peter's, in turn, would pay all expenses involved in the conveyance. A "Letter of Intent" was generated and was signed by both parties, with the understanding that the transaction had to be approved by the church council. They did so approve such "Letter" at their October 20, 2019, meeting.

The sequence of events as we move forward include:

- The property will be surveyed and the boundaries established (approved by church council October 20, 2019).
- A Warranty Deed will be generated to complete the property conveyance.
- There will be a dedication service for the newly donated property.
- There will be a name plate addition to the Memorial Plaque in the Parish Hall with a statement of land donation.
- New fencing/gate will be installed along the new boundary line.

A wholehearted "thank you" to June (Adickes) Bethke and her children, Jon, Laura Sue and Amy, for this most wonderful gift that will always be a part of the continued life of St. Peter's.



Sunday, November 3, 2019 — Set clocks back 1 hour!

Sun Nov 3, 2019

9am All Saint's Day Communion and Memorial Dedication service 10:15am Sunday school

Wed Nov 6, 2019

6:30pm Choir rehearsal 7pm Bible study

Sun Nov 10. 2019

9am Communion service 10:15am Budget Brunch

Tue Nov 12, 2019

2pm Bible study, Women of the ELCA Wed Dec 4, 2019 3pm Meeting, Women of the ELCA

Wed Nov 13, 2019

6:30pm Choir rehearsal 7pm Bible study

Sun Nov 17, 2019

9am Communion service, Thankoffering

10:15am Sunday school

10:15am Young Adult discussion group

10:30am Church Council **3pm Nursing Home Worship**

Wed Nov 20, 2019

9am Lutheran World Relief 6:30pm Choir rehearsal

7:30pm Bible study

Sun Nov 24, 2019

9am Worship service 10:15am Sunday school 6pm Community Thanksgiving Service, First Baptist Church, Goliad

Wed Nov 27, 2019

7pm Thanksgiving Eve Communion

Thu 28, 2019

Thanksgiving Day, St. Peter's Church office closed

Sun Dec 1, 2019

9am Communion service 10:15am Sunday school 5pm St. Peter's Women of the ELCA Christmas meal and party

6:30pm Advent meal, Zion in **Arneckeville** 7:30pm Advent service, Zion, "7 Pointed Star of Creation"

> St. Peter's Calendar Save the Dates

Sun December 8, 2019 **Christmas Caroling, following** worship service Sun December 15, 2019 9am Christmas Program

2019

OFFICE HOURS:

Pastor Anne's usual hours in the church office are Tuesday mornings, Wednesday afternoons, and Saturday mornings. She is also available whenever you need her upon request - just give her a call, text her, or send an email! Kathy is usually in the office Monday - Wednesday, sometimes on Thursdays.

BULLETIN INFORMATION:

All articles, calendar dates, changes in worship leaders or any other information for the bulletin must be in the office by Monday morning. Bulletins will be printed by Wednesday.



WELCA Bible study and meeting to be held Nov. 12

All women of St. Peter's are invited to attend the Women of the ELCA regular monthly meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 12. We will begin with Bible study at 2pm followed by the meeting. The Bible Study, "No hard feelings? Stewarding the gift of joy," presented by Linda Dornburg, will be from the November 2019 Gather Magazines. Come and join us!

LWR quilting workday to be held November 20

Our next Lutheran World Relief quilting workday will begin at 9am on November 20. We will be sharing "stone soup" for the noon meal. Everyone is invited to join us in stitching and in sharing!

Annual Thankoffering Service to be held Nov. 17

The November 17th worship service will be the annual WELCA Thankoffering Service. Women of St. Peter's will fill all the lay roles in the service, with Pastor Anne presiding over communion. Margaret Jackson, a Synodically Authorized Minister from Cuero will bring the message. A special Thankoffering to support the churchwide WELCA will be taken in addition to our regular offering. We hope to see you at this special service.

BOXES are needed to pack the many quilts and kits being assembled for Lutheran World Relief. Copy paper boxes are great for kits, ones for quilts need to be a bit larger. If you want to buy some to donate, the medium ones from Home Depot, Lowe's or UHaul are the perfect size...or give money to Pastor Anne or Kathy to buy them for you.



Items needed for Lutheran World Relief personal care kits

St. Peter's Women of the ELCA will be collecting items for personal care kits during October and November. Lutheran World Relief personal care kits:

- · Bath-size towels (20x40 to 27x52) dark color recommended
- Bath-size bars of soap any brand, in original wrapping
- · Sturdy combs, (wide tooth preferred) remove packaging
- Adult-size toothbrushes, in original packaging; *multi-packs of toothbrushes may also be donated
- · Metal nail clippers, (attached file optional) remove packaging

You may purchase any LWR kit items at any time that you find a special price. Complete listing of all the kits and required kit items are found on page 33 of the 2019 St. Peter's Church Yearbook or pick up the "Supplies for LWR Kits" page on the table by the closet between the narthex and fellowship hall. Please place all kit items in the box by the cross table in the narthex.

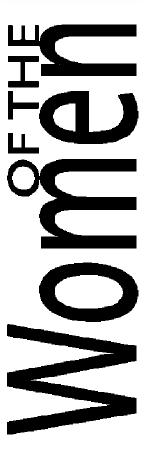
Money may also be designated for purchasing kit items or for shipping. When using an offering envelope, please designate "LWR kits" or "LWR shipping fund" on the envelope.



Why not give to St. Peter's at the same time? We are now one of the charities that can receive .05% of every order made with Amazon Smile. All you have to do:

- Instead of amazon.com, go to smile.amazon.com
- when prompted to choose a charity, enter St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 1945 FM 1961
- After that, it automatically registers all your orders placed on smile and sends SPLC the money

Alternatively, you can click on smile.amazon.com/ch/74-6048830, which will take you directly to Amazon linked into SPLC as your charity choice. Every little bit helps!





For your donations to Local Benevolence, thank you! At the recommendation of the Stewardship/Finance Committee, the church council recently approved using some of money currently in that fund. To the Goliad Sheriff's Department to purchase clothing for their Silver Santa program, \$1000 will be given; to help supply the "Comfort Closet" at Goliad Elementary, \$1000 will be given; and to the Goliad County Ministerial Alliance to support their ministry to the needy, \$1000 will be given. What a great way to support our community!

BAPTIZED IN OCTOBER:

Archer Tally May was baptized on October 13. Archer is the son of Colby and Regina Aberle May, and brother of Harper. He was born April 12, 2019. Archer's sponsors are Jason and Ali Hancock.

Scarlett Adeline Odem was baptized on October 20. Scarlett is the daughter of Mac and Jess Morris Odem, and sister to Shane, Brooklyn, and Bryce. She was born July 12, 2019. Scarlett's sponsors are Sarah Rowlands and Rocky Morris.

WEEKNIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY

continues on Wednesdays, October 30, November 6, 13, and 20, at 7:30pm. We will be continuing our study of the book of Isaiah, which has been generating lots of great discussion. The study group will take a break in December for Advent/Christmas.

YOUNG ADULT DISCUSSION CLASS

has resumed along with the other Sunday School classes. We will now meet in the playroom, or the first classroom. We have a new book we will be using, so come find out what's going on. We still meet on the third Sunday of the month. Hope to see you there.

Youth Christmas Program set for December 15

St. Peter's Lutheran Church annual Children's Christmas Program will be held at 9am during the worship service on December 15th. The Christmas Program is titled "Chosen Too." There will be several speaking parts that will need to be assigned, and we need willing participants. Please let Wendi Yendrey know if your child will be able to participate in the program this year. You can either email Wendi at wyendrey@goliadisd.org or call/text her at (979) 450-4299. Practice dates will be scheduled soon!

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Plans for midweek joint Advent worship services

ADVENT IS COMING! We will continue our tradition of joining for fellowship meals and worship with Martin Luther of Coletoville, Zion

of Arneckeville and St. Luke's of Schroeder. This year's theme is *The Stars of Advent* in which we'll look at several different kinds of stars and the Biblical symbolism behind them which lead up to Christ's birth. The meals will begin at 6:30pm, with worship beginning at 7:30pm. St. Peter's will help provide food on December 11.

- December 4: The Seven Pointed Star of Creation at Zion, Arneckeville
- December 11: The Four Pointed Covenant Star at St. Luke's, Schroeder
- December 18: The Six Pointed Star of David at Martin Luther, Coletoville



Advent Offerings this year will go to the ELCA Good Gifts' Global Barnyard project, which provides animals to those in need so that they have a sustainable source of food.

Gifts to be given for Christmas Eve service



For the Christmas Eve service at St. Peter's this year, members and friends of the congregation will have the opportunity to give gifts in memory or in honor of family members and friends.

In addition to Poinsettias that will be used during the Christmas Eve service, there will also be an opportunity to give a gift in memory or in honor of a family member or friend that will assist Water to Thrive, which transforms lives in rural Africa by bringing the sustainable blessing of clean, safe **water** to communities in need. All gifts – both Poinsettias and Water to Thrive – will be acknowledged in the Christmas Eve service bulletin. The cost for either gift is \$15 each. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's. Please return the form that is attached to this newsletter or available from the church office, with your check in the offering plate or in the church office by December 1.

St. Peter's Staff

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier
Pastor

Kathy Albrecht Church Office Administrator

Dorothy Bowman
Organist and Choir
Director

Congregation Council

Brenda Bade

Secretary and Co-Chair of Christian Education (term ends 12/31/21)

Eva Nell Griffith

President (term ends 12/31/19)

Linda Koehler

Chair of Worship and Music (term ends 12/31/21)

Sherry Sanders

Vice-President and Chair of Outreach (term ends 12/31/19)

Ashford Taylor

Council Liaison of Property (term ends 12/31/20)

Terrell Wiggins

Chair of Safety (term ends 12/31/19)

Trey Wimberly

Council Liaison of Stewardship and Finance (term ends 12/31/20)

Leslie Wunsch

Co-Chair of Christian Education (term ends 12/31/21)

The Rev. Anne Kolmeier Pastor (ex-officio)

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship: 9:00am Sunday School: 10:15am — 11:30am (Sept. — May)

Holy Communion: every Sunday service that is not lay-led.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

11-01 Megan Tislow

11-01 Karie Wimberly

11-03 Addison Yendrey

11-04 Brady Taylor

11-05 Leighton Wunsch

11-07 Ronnie Willms

11-08 Wayne Albrecht

11-08 Kenneth Brand

11-08 Dalton Dornburg

11-09 Brenda Bade

11-09 Clayton Franke

11-10 Beverly Martin

11-11 Jenny Adickes

11-11 Cody Parma

11-12 Kaid Brand

11-20 Jaron Post

11-23 Julie Franke

11-27 Brayden Franke

11-30 Ashford Taylor



St. Peter's Ander



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

11-07-59 Gayle & Harold Baecker

11-09-62 Dorothy & David Bowman

11-15-97 Jennifer & Jon Adickes

11-17-84 Rhonda & Jonathan Ideus

11-23-89 Regina & Mike Calhoun

11-27-76 Sandra & Paul Post

If any listings of birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect, or if a listing is missing, please contact the church office at 645-2922 or office@stpetersander.org

Happy Thanksgiving



May your heart overflow with blessings this Thanksgiving season.

St. Peter's Ministry Fund Update Through September 30, 2019

Ministry fund beginning balance, January 1, 2019 \$69,098.03

Offerings \$153,162.22

Cost of ministries \$168,245.20

Ministry fund ending balance, September 30, 2019 \$54,015.05

Note: St. Peter's Ministry Fund (previously known as the current fund and the general operating fund) includes all of St. Peter's regular, budgeted ministries, including ELCA Mission Support. It does not include designated gifts to the building fund, memorials, or other non-budgeted designated gifts.



June Bethke
Regina Calhoun
Ina DeForest
Barry Geary

Tom and Marilyn Morris
Mike Wilburn

FRIENDS —

Troy Allen – friend of Pat McDonald Mia Balko – friend of Karie Wimberly Troy Berthold – friend of Allison and Wesley Ball

Nate Boehl – Grandson of Duck and Lucy Ohrt, friend of Arlene DeForest

Al Brothers – friend of Mike and Regina Calhoun

Gay Bruns – sister-in-law of Deanna and Gary Wacker

Paula Calhoun – mother of Mike Calhoun

Kim Curlee – friend of Karen Klinkerman

Wilburn Eckhardt – Leslie Wunsch's sister-in-law's father

Denise Engle – friend of Amy Wilburn **Kurt Flower and family** – friend of Beverly Martin

Joyce Foster – grandmother of Shelby Foster

Robbie Friedrichs – friend of June Bethke

Ainsley Garza – cousin of Arlene DeForest and Eva Nell Griffith

Peggy Gentry – friend of Elaine Post Family of Kerry Giles – son-in-law of Sandy and Sherry Sanders

Harold Gleinser – friend of community and brother-in-law of the Bowmans

Rebecca Graves – infant great-niece of Joyce Franklin, friend of Alvin and Arlene DeForest

Stefani Hargrove – friend of Karen Klinkerman

Brian Harvey – friend of Aldon and Brenda Bade

John Hausmann – cousin of Allen Jank

Dale Henderson – father of Margaret Luker

Betty Jacob – friend of June Bethke **Kenneth Jacob** – friend of Glenn Karnei

Homebound: Barry Geary, 1403 Gohmert Rd., Cuero, TX 77954, phone 361-275-5591

Ryan Janak – ten year old nephew of Leo Henke

Family of Meredith Johnson – friend of Geraldine and Fritz Sturm

Donna Justice – friend of community **Melita Keith** – friend of Margaret

Luker

Cullen Kickendahl – four year old son of Clint and Sherry Kickendahl

Mark Love – friend of the Taylor family
Jo Nell Martin – friend of Debbie
Foster

Michael McLead – uncle of Nathan Irwin

Kit Mitchell – brother-in-law of Julie Franke

Doris Moore – cousin of Fritz Sturm
Sydney Morris – sister of Jess Odem
Mark Mueller – friend and classmate
of Beverly Martin

Cole Ohrt – 16 year old cousin of the Ray Albrecht family

Mary Poppert – sister of Ina DeForest and Alvin DeForest

Monica Powitzsky and family – friend of Kenneth and Monica Brand

Jose Reyes – friend of Shelby Foster Marcus Rezendez – friend of Amy Wilburn

Tyler Rhodes – friend of Shelby and Ashford Taylor

Edna May Riggs – friend of Fritz and Geraldine Sturm

Susan Calhoun Rosello – cousin of Mike Calhoun

James Rung – five year old son of Greta Henke's friend

Jenny Sanders – daughter of Sherry and Sandy Sanders

Charles Schroeder and family – friend of Billy and Linda Dornburg

Billy Charles Scott – cousin of Leslie Wunsch

Bonnie Staha – friend of Jamie Friedrichs

Bobbi Stiles – great aunt of Shelby Foster

Jay Thigpen – friend of Carl and Sarah Brandes

Victor Vargas – four year old nephew of Alyssa, Luke Abrameit's wife

Rob Wall – son of Brenda Foil's friend. Roxv

Deneen Muller Walton – friend of Linda Dornburg

Thank you —

October 17, 2019 Dear Members of St. Peter's Lutheran.

On behalf of Cross Trails
Ministry, I would like to thank you for
the generous gift of \$442 dated
October 14, 2019. Many of the
programs and opportunities that
Cross Trails Ministry offers would not
be possible without generous gifts
such as yours.

Your gift to the annual fund will help to provide financial stability and ongoing support to the overall ministry. It will be used to supplement the fees paid by all campers and retreaters to keep our programs affordable, provide financial aid for those who need it, and help us to keep the day to day ministry of our camps, retreats and expeditions going as we serve thousands each year!

We are truly grateful for your prayers, support and partnership. Thank you once again for your generous gift!
Yours in Christ,
Deanna Christensen
Executive Director



OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES are

extended to Sandy and Sherry Sanders on the death of their son-in-law (husband of Merti Joy) Kerry D. Giles. Kerry died on October 6, 2019 at the

age of 44. Visitation was in Victoria on October 11. A private interment of his ashes will be held at a later date. May God comfort and strengthen this family with his presence and his promises in their time of loss, as they grieve Kerry's passing.

"Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your hearts, all ye that hope in the Lord" — Psalm31:24



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Worship Leaders for November

ALTAR GUILD

Ina DeForest and Karen Klinkerman

OFFERING COUNTERS

Eva Nell Griffith and Pat McDonald

GREETERS

Gayle Baecker and Wendi Yendrey

USHERS

David Bowman and Glenn Karnei

FLOWERS

11-3 Linda and Randy Koehler

11-10 Dorothy and David Bowman

11-17 Gayle and Harold Baecker

11-24 open

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Karen Klinkerman and Linda Koehler







Christmas Eve Service Gifts to St. Peter's

For the Christmas Eve service at St. Peter's this year, members and friends of the congregation will have the opportunity to give gifts in memory or in honor of family members and friends.

In addition to Poinsettias that will be used during the Christmas Eve service, there will also be an opportunity to give a gift in memory or in honor of a family member or friend that will assist Water to Thrive, which transforms lives in rural Africa by bringing the sustainable blessing of clean, safe water to communities in need.

All gifts — both Poinsettias and Water to Thrive — will be acknowledged in the Christmas Eve service bulletin. The cost for either gift is \$15 each. Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's Lutheran Church. All flowers for Christmas Eve should be ordered through the church. Please return this form with your check in the offering plate or to the church office no later than Sunday, December 1.

Name (of person giving gift):		
Water to Thrive Poinsettia	In Honor	In Memory
Name(s) of those being honored/memorialized		
Name (of person giving gift):		
	In Honor	
Name(s) of those being honored/memorialized		
Name (of person giving gift):		
Water to Thrive Poinsettia	In Honor	In Memory
Name(s) of those being honored/memorialized		
Name (of person giving gift):		
Water to Thrive Poinsettia	In Honor	In Memory
Name(s) of those being honored/memorialized		



St. Peter's Youth Group Project



Celebrate

The Holiday Season with the Gift of Giving!

Join St. Peter's Youth Groups in their Community Service Project donating toys to the Silver Santa Toy Drive.

We will be accepting new unwrapped toys through the end of November.

Look for the donation box in the Narthex.





